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MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council
FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz
CC: City Clerk Pamela Powers
DATE: May 5, 2020
RE: Appointment of Building Commissioner

I am appointing Assistant Building Commissioner Jonathan Flagg to the position of Building Commissioner for the City of Northampton, filling the vacancy created by the retirement of Commissioner Hasbrouck, effective June 20, 2020.

Assistant Commissioner Flagg has been with the department since 2019, coming from the City of Easthampton, where he served as Building Commissioner for 3 years. Prior to Easthampton, Flagg served as Building Commissioner for the City of Westfield since 2010, and as a Local Building Inspector from 2007 until his promotion.

Among other qualifications, Assistant Commissioner Flagg is a 1979 graduate of Westfield Vocational High School. He lives in Westfield with his wife of 22 years, Sandy. He is an active member of the Massachusetts Freemasons as well as the Melha Shriners, helping out with community events and supporting many charities including the Shriners Hospital for Children. He enjoys camping, hiking and spending time outdoors.

I am confident in Assistant Commissioner Flagg's ability to lead our Building Department and am honored to elevate him to the rank of Commissioner. I respectfully submit his appointment to the City Council for confirmation in accordance with the Northampton Charter, Article 2, § 2-10.